

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Katsumi TOKUMOTO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/573,705

GROUP: 1796

CONFIRMATION NO. 7106

EXAMINER: Cooney, J.

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FOR: CATALYST COMPOSITION FOR PRODUCTION OF RIGID
POLYURETHANE FOAM AND ISOCYANURATE-MODIFIED RIGID
POLYURETHANE FOAM AND RAW-MATERIAL COMPOSITION
CONTAINING THE SAME

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 20, 2009, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-7, for examination. In addition, Applicants provisionally elect for examination purposes only the following species:

Amine compound (A): tetramethylammonium acetate (Example, Table 1, Catalyst A1)

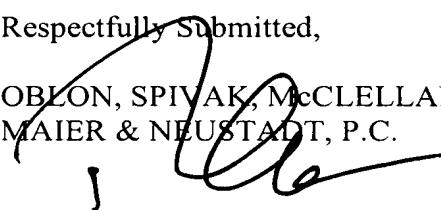
Amine compound (B): N,N-dimethyldodecylamine (Example, Table 1, Catalyst B1)

Amine compound (C): 1,2-dimethylimidazole (Example, Table 1, Catalyst C2)

The elected species encompass at least Claims 1-7.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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